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Talked with [redacted] about the review of [redacted] the proposed preparedness investigating Subcommittee report. It was indicated DOD had their copy and the Subcommittee had met on this during the afternoon but had not reached the final conclusion and, therefore, the urgency from their viewpoint was lifted a bit and they would not meet again until possibly next Tuesday.

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[redacted] Met with Representative John C. Marsh to discuss his note to the Director enclosing a copy of his letter to the State Department requesting information on Robert Thompson who was apparently killed while piloting a small aircraft over Cuba on a leaflet dropping mission in December 1961. I advised Marsh that we were aware of the Thompson case and had been in touch with State Department which is preparing a reply to his letter. I told him the point of my visiting him was to advise him that Thompson was not employed by this Agency. Marsh said he got into the case only because Thompson's brother is married to a mutual friend of someone in his district. Marsh thanked me for stopping by to see him.

Marsh continued the conversation covering a number of subjects including his interest in the Agency and his desire to visit us "someday." He also brought up the subject of the Freedom Academy and Foreign Affairs Academy bills now pending in the Congress. I told him that the Agency had not developed a formal position on these bills but did discuss with Marsh some of the pros and cons.